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PLAYING A WAITING GAME

Opposition Trying to Defer Assessment Bill

Government Determined to Force Its Passage

[Special to The Daily News.]

Victoria, Dec. 11.—(Press Gallery, Legislative Assembly.)—From present appearances, it looks as though the government and opposition have got down again to a battle of time. From what transpired this afternoon it is evident that the opposition wish to stall the Assessment bill on the report, in order to permit mercantile and trade bodies throughout the country to communicate with representatives, and to send down to the capital a lobby to press for the modification of the bill. Two attempts were made to secure an adjournment of the debate this morning, but without success, and in consequence there was a night sitting.

The proposals of the opposition are set out by their leader in his amendments, which are merely a slight raise all round on the old items of taxation, without embarking on unexplored waters. Mr. Oliver, upon the orders of the day being reported, asked for a suspension of the rules to permit him to move for the appointment of a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Bowser, Fraser, Davidson, Henderson and Drury, to inquire into the working of the British Columbia Immigration Act. He pointed out that certain people were specially precluded from entering British Columbia by this act. He claimed that although the government claimed credit for the act its officers were assisting in getting Japanese into the province and were conniving, as was also the government, at violating the law. He personally visited one of the oriental ships and had seen a police officer and a notary public conniving in this manner to defeat the law.

The premier charged that the member for Delta was seeking political effect, and alleged that he had previously had no complaints in regard to the enforcement of the law, and promised that if complaints against the officials were established he would see that they were properly punished.

The resolution was carried.

A motion also carried, moved by Macdonald, for all papers connected with the dismissal of the police magistrate at Rossland and the appointment of his successor.

Mr. Oliver moved that the deputy provincial secretary be instructed to return the Fernie ballot boxes for the purpose of a recount.

The leader of the opposition held that the provision for a recount was framed long after the original act was passed and was not designed to conflict with it. The returning officer was instructed to forward the ballot boxes immediately after the election, but the election was not complete, he held, till the ten days allowed for a protest and a recount had expired. The spirit and even letter of the law had been violated, and the government should see that the boxes were returned.

The speaker ruled that once the ballot boxes came into the possession of the deputy provincial secretary, no power but a statutory one could move them.

From this decision Mr. Oliver appealed, and the chair was sustained on a division of 22 to 15.

Mr. MacGowan then moved for an order of the house for a return of all correspondence in connection with the investigation of the Inverarity charges against Dr. Hannington. Proceeding from this Mr. MacGowan took up what he characterized as other cases of malpractice, instancing the amputation of a man's arm at Chemainus, and the death of his own son in an institution at Vancouver. In that institution, he declared, his son had been murdered. An indignant protest was made by Dr. Young, of Atlin, and by Dr. King.

The motion then carried.

The Railway Assessment bill passed its third reading.

On report of the Assessment bill, the leader of the opposition moved further amendments.

Macdonald's proposal is, briefly, to allow the government's scale of taxation on income, personal property, etc., to stand, but to make these changes in the old bill and not in the new one, so that the business interests of the country may know exactly the effect of the increase in taxation:

Regarding the two per cent tax, Macdonald proposes to let it stand, but to add wages to transportation and treatment, as one of the items exempt from the assessment. This was defeated on a straight party vote.

In moving these amendments the leader of the opposition said his own proposal was to avoid risks which the government took in launching into new methods of taxation, and to substitute therefor a slight increase on the old bill. He himself had made some calculations as to the amount likely to be derived, and he believed it would result in a conflict with what the finance minister claimed he would secure by his measure. Under the amendments which he proposed, the income on real estate would be increased from $128,772 to $191,151; on wild lands from $65,625 to $118,125; on personal property from $88,350 to $159,075; the increases, he said, would aggregate $1,876,110. On the mineral output he proposed a compromise, which, he believed, would be acceptable to the mining men. By adopting these amendments the taxes would be increased and the minister of finance given an opportunity to acquaint himself with conditions with which he was not at the present time familiar.

The minister of finance said the proposal was to drop back to the old bill, and declared the action of the Victoria board of trade to have been political in character, and said the Vancouver board of trade refused to join in its protest. When asked for the source of his information he produced a telegram from the president of the board of trade to that effect.

The leader of the opposition said there was nothing to show that gentleman held anything more than his own personal opinion.

Mr. Drury declared if the bill passed it would be repealed at the next session. He commented on the fact that the premier was absent during its consideration and that it was championed by the member for Nanaimo, who declared that he did not care how taxes were raised on capital.

Mr. Cameron referred to the fact that a committee of the Victoria board of trade had been refused a hearing, being referred to the members for their city. The bill, he declared, would drive capital out of the province, wholesale stocks would not be kept in the province.

Mr. McNiven said that now that it was announced that the Vancouver board of trade was asleep on this matter, he supposed the bill would go through, but he prophesied that in less than a year that same board would be protesting vigorously.

Mr. Hall described the bill as a sort of "socialistic rush act." The opposition, he said, would have co-operated in any just measure. He also complained of the cavalier way the premier had treated the merchants of Victoria, having met them in a political spirit, which was different from the treatment he accorded other commercial bodies.

Mr. Henderson said the bill was still full of inaccuracies and errors, and in order that these might be remedied he moved the adjournment of the debate. This was defeated on a vote of 22 to 19.

Mr. Henderson then urged that time be given representatives of the different interests to be heard.

Macdonald followed with another amendment specifying that an amount equal to the debt on personal property should be exempt from assessment in collecting that tax. This was defeated on the same division.

During the debate on the latter Mr. McInnes made a slashing attack on Mr. Hawthornthwaite, who retaliated in kind to the great delight of the government members.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he did not care what commercial classes bore the burden of taxation so long as the government kept its promises not to tax the wage earner.

Two attempts to move an adjournment of the debate were defeated, and the house adjourned till evening.

In reply to McInnes, the premier said today that 679 coal licenses have been applied for, but no leases in blocks 4593 and 4594; of these 21 have been granted to the following: E. J. Johnson, John Janesih, W. Sonkbiel, D. McKenzie, D. Tracy, John Levis, George McCliny, S. F. Wallace, C. A. Klingesmith J. Rudolph, Peter Vandusen, A. Bauldaup, J. D. Quail, J. Derr, J. B. Stevans, W. A. Switzer, C. J. Bulger, C. Walde, T. Morrison, F. German and Mrs. H. A. Senkbiel. The government the premier added, proposed to recognize all statutory rights within these lands, but thought it prudent not to deal with the land till the expiry of the disallowance period.

In reply to Henderson's question as to whether a certain letter outlining the policy of the government in regard to these lands, as already given, this correspondence had been written by a member of the government. The premier said he wrote a personal letter expressing such views to the member for Grand Forks.

Just before midnight the premier, in a rambling speech, inadvertently disclosed his reason for rushing the Assessment bill. He said the banks insisted it should be passed before the 15th instant. This raised a bitter storm among the opposition, Drury and McInnes denouncing the government for prostituting the functions of a responsible government by submitting to the dictation of an institution of the country.

The premier also explained the reason why the banks were exempted from the taxation which applied to individuals. The disclosure created a sensation. The bill passed to report at 12.20, the socialists and labor members voting aye.

A RUSH ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Fifty Thousand People Will Spend the Holidays in Europe.

New York, Dec. 11.—Twelve hundred steerage passengers sailed from this port on the La Champagne, and 85 on the Lahn, making the total number returning to Europe during the ante-Christmas rush nearly 50,000.

SAM PARKS IS DYING.

Convicted Walking Delegate Afflicted With Consumption.

New York, Dec. 11.—"Sam" Parks, formerly business agent of the New York Housesmiths' and Bridgemen's union, is in the hospital in Sing Sing prison, to which he recently was sent for conspiracy in taking money from employers to call off strikes.

Parks was removed from his cell to the hospital by direction of the prison physician, who says he is a very sick man.

The labor leader is a victim of consumption, and it is expected he will be transferred to the prison hospital at Dannemora.

When Parks arrived at Sing Sing he was put to work in the brush shop.

The work is not hard, and for a short time Parks toiled along with the rest of the convicts, but the close confinement soon began to tell and he broke down completely, necessitating his removal to the hospital.

FOSTER SPEAKS PLAINLY

U. S. STRETCHES CARCASS ACROSS CANADA'S DOORSTEP.

SAYS AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IS NOT BROAD-MINDED.

New York, Dec. 11.—George E. Foster, formerly finance minister of Canada, who has just returned from England, where he has been making speeches in favor of a preferential tariff, and assisting in the campaign former colonial secretary Joseph Chamberlain, declares that within five years the dominion will be able to supply England with the wheat now sent from the United States.

"Last year," he said, "we raised 60,000,000 bushels of wheat and more than 100,000,000 bushels of grain. We have now under cultivation 3,000,000 acres of wheat land and still have 100,000,000 acres just as good, which will be grain-producing land in the near future. No country in the world will take the place of Canada as a food producer. This is due to the richness of her soil and the climate. We Canadians think the United States in all its relations with us has been a very insistent nation. Your people are the best in the world, but we do not look upon your government as the broadest-minded in the world.

"We import from the United States a large number of agricultural products, but from us the United States imports very little. On manufactured articles our tariff runs about 28 per cent, while that of the United States is about 49 per cent. The disparity seems too great. If you will not let us in on a fair tariff we will have to raise the tariff against you.

"We think our country is just as good as the United States. There was a feeling of disappointment among us concerning the Alaskan award, but that is passing away. You see the United States stretches its carcass across our front door. We have got to step over you people when we want to get out to sea, that is, if you will let us."

CONGRESS TAKES NOTICE

MAY INVESTIGATE THE MARTIAL LAW IN COLORADO.

DOES REPUBLICAN FORM OF GOVERNMENT EXIST THERE?

Washington, Dec. 11.—United States senator Patterson today introduced a resolution directing the committee on judiciary to investigate the strike among the metalliferous miners of Cripple Creek and Telluride, Colorado. The resolution was preceded by a long preamble, giving an outline of the history of the strike and of the declaration of martial law by the governor of the state and the establishment of a press censorship.

The preamble declares that "by reason of the attitude and doings of the governor of Colorado the courts of the state have been rendered powerless to relieve its citizens of the wrongs and outrages committed against them by the military authorities of the state and to protect the citizens thereof in all or any of their constitutional rights; that the legislature of the state cannot convene until January, 1905, unless the governor may call it in extraordinary session, which he has repeatedly said he would not do, and that the government of the state is wholly by reason of the arbitrary and unconstitutional action of the governor of the state, at his mercy and under his control.

The resolution then provides that the judiciary committee investigate the strike and the conduct of the governor in the use of the military; ascertain whether there is at present a republican form of government in Colorado, and what legislation may be necessary to maintain it. It empowers a committee to visit Colorado and take testimony.

GOLD ON UPPER DUNCAN.

One Pan of Dirt Yielded Half an Ounce of Yellow Metal.

The latest reports of a gold excitement are from the upper Duncan below Hall creek, where two Chinamen and several white men are taking out gold in such quantities as would cause a wild stampede among any other denizens than those we have in the Kootenays, says the Kaslo Kootenaian. One pan yielded one-half of an ounce of gold. In the spring it is anticipated that a rush into that district will be inaugurated that will cast the Poplar excitement into the shade. S. Luffman left hurriedly on Monday to inspect some placer ground that he had located in the interests of eastern parties.

SANDS DEFEATS THOMPSON.

Tuxedo Park, N. Y., Dec. 11.—The second day's play in the second annual amateur court tennis tournament at Tuxedo for the gold racquet championship of the United States, for which Charles E. Sands already holds one leg, having won the title to the same last year, opened today with a match between Charles Sands, former champion of the United States and France and Ernest A. Thompson, former champion of New York Recquet and Tennis club, the former winning by three straight sets.

WILL PUT END TO BRUTALITY

German War Minister Does Not Exculpate Officers

Said Administration is Determined to Stop Evil

Berlin, Dec. 11—In the reichstag today war minister von Einem entered earnestly into the charges of brutality and immorality brought against German army officers without attempting to exculpate them. He admitted there had been abuses and declared that the army administration was determined to correct them so far as possible. Nobody regretted the abuses more than emperor William, who never lost an opportunity to impress the seriousness of the offences that had been brought to light. Referring to lieutenant Bilsen's book, "A Little Garrison," telling of alleged actions discreditable to officers, for the writing of which the lieutenant was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and to dismissal from the army, the war minister said it contained a certain amount of truth, but it was not true that every lieutenant in the small garrisons lived as Bilsen had described.

The minister did not deny the possibility of corrupt relations between the officers and women in a few cases, but the assertion that such were the rule was a slander against German womanhood. Regarding the brutalities, the minister declared that such incidents were not absolutely inexplicable. There was the bad private soldier, as well as the sergeant, and the bad private was largely responsible for the whole difficulty.

During the year ended in June, the war minister continued, 50 officers and 575 non-commissioned officers and good service men were punished for mistreatment of privates. The army administration had determined to stop it altogether. Even one hundred cases a year would be intolerable.

Discussing herr Bebel's charge that the German artillery was inefficient and that the German gun was inferior to the French gun, the minister entered into a technical explanation of in what in his belief, the German gun, of the model of 1896, was better than the French, of the 1903 model.

DOMINION ELECTIONS.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—The Montreal Star tonight says that it is learned from an authoritative source that the dominion elections will be held on February 15th, and that liberal candidates all over Canada have been notified that this will be the date.

A HOLD-UP MAN CONVICTED

PRISONER REAGAN, FORMERLY OF McGILL COLLEGE.

A FRIEND PLEADS WITH THE COURT FOR CLEMENCY.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Dec. 11.—Jack Reagan, popularly named, "The Terrible," college-man and prize fighter, was today convicted by judge Henderson in the speedy trials' court of highway robbery and will be sentenced tomorrow. In finding Reagan guilty, the court officially decided that it was he who "held up" Harvey Slater here on November 18th last. Reagan's friends have exhausted all the ingenuities of the law to save him, but fruitlessly. This morning after conviction had been recorded, J. J. Mulhall, who had been watching the case since the beginning addressed the court by permission, pleading for clemency. He said that Reagan's family, whom he had known intimately, were excellent people who had given their son every advantage of education and refinement. His father had been a prominent official of the Intercolonial in New Brunswick, and his (Mulhall's) son had been a college mate of the young highwayman at Dalhousie and afterward at McGill.

The epidemic of outlawry here continues. Two business houses on Mount Pleasant were burglarized last night and Henry Mallett one of the victims was himself the victim also of the holdup man. Mallett, who is an ex-army man, declared that when he showed fight the highwaymen took flight.

SALE OF EVERETT SMELTER.

Trusts Buys It From Federal Company for $1,025,00.

Spokane, Dec. 11.—A special from New York to the Review says: The smelting trust paid the Federal company $1,025,000 for the Everett smelter, according to a Well street paper. The deal also included an agreement by the trust to take all the Federal company's output for six years on a basis to be governed by the price of silver and lead or the finished products. Of the Federal company's capital it is stated that one half of the $20,000,000 preferred and about $5,000,000 of the $10,000,000 common stock has been issued.

BONIER HELD FOR MURDER.

Accused of Murdering an Old Couple on November 19th.

Buffalo, Dec. 11.—Chas. Bonier, 74 years old, was today held on the charge of having murdered Frank and Johana Frehr, the aged couple who disappeared on November 19th, and whose mutilated bodies were found on December 3rd buried in their own yard.

The inquest into their death had been delayed until this time to give the authorities an opportunity to secure evidence against Bonier, who was arrested as a suspect within twelve hours after the bodies were found. As had been announced by the district attorney not all the evidence in the hands of the authorities was brought out at the inquest, just enough to secure an indictment was presented.

J. H. TONKIN A FUGITIVE

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST CROW'S NEST EX-MANAGER.

IT IS CLAIMED HE GOT LARGE SUMS DISHONESTLY.

About a year since John H. Tonkin became the manager of the Crow's Nest Coal mines at Coal Creek, Michel and Morrissey. As he was affable and pleasant he soon made a host of friends. He became an important individual in these towns and nothing of moment went on that he was not included in. No business movement could be conducted without his approval, and he became so to speak, first citizen of that section. Up to a few weeks since he maintained his position, then suddenly G. G. Lindsay, of Toronto, solicitor and director of the company paid a visit to the district, and there was a change. Mr. Tonkin was requested to resign and very promptly did so. Within a few days he left for the east.

The Cranbrook Herald, says the reasons for his hasty departure may be found in the following charges, on which warrants were issued, which may be found on file in chief McMullen's office in Fernie. They are varied in their nature and of a most serious character.

One charges Mr. Tonkin with an attempt to defraud the company by false pretenses, since he induced the company to make a valuable security, to wit., a lease of a certain hotel in Michel to C. J. Eckstrom, in order that it might afterwards be made or converted into or used or dealt with as valuable security.

Another is that he did by false pretenses make a contract with one Thomas Crahan for the sale of lots in Morrissey townsite, and to pay said Crahan 15 per cent on same, which was made to be converted into a valuable security.

Another charges that on different dates in 1903, he did obtain by fraud the sums of $751 $854, $1,301.25, $175, all of which was secured

Still another charge, that he did on May 26th, by menace, demand and obtain from the Trites-Wood company a promise in writing from said company to pay the sum of $10,000.

Another charge set forth that on May 24th, 1903, he did with intent to defraud the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company, by false pretenses through medium of a contract with one Thomas Crahan, to pay the sum of 15 per cent on sale of lots in Morrissey townsite, by such false pretenses obtain the sum of $1,200 at the town of Fernie, and on the 6th of July also obtain the sum of $500.

These are the charges set forth and on these charges and the instructions of the police, Mr. Tonkin becomes a fugitive from justice.

A CHEERFUL JAP MURDERER

WENT TO HIS DEATH WITH SMILES AND PLEASANT WORDS.

PAID HIS RESPECTS POLITELY TO EXECUTIONERS.

Vancouver, Dec. 11.—With a cheery smile and a hearty "Good bye, gentlemen, and thank you," to the little group of officials aboue the scaffold, Kiri Maida, the Japanese murderer of two of his compatriots, dropped the regulation eight feet to his death in the Nanaimo jail yard this morning at daybreak. Maida marched to the scaffold with seeming unconcern, and it was just the executioner was placing the ominous cap upon his head that Maida, staying the act by a wave of his hand, paid his respects to Canadian officialdom, The execution "went off without a hitch," Radcliffe officiating.

Maida left a written confession. While acknowledging the commision of the dual killing for which he was condemned to die, he maintained that he had no recollection of the commission of the murders; that he had done so, he wrote, he could not doubt after hearing the convincing evidence given by H. A. Yashi, whom he described as "his dearest friend." His only extenuation was that he must have been grossly intoxicated thus to have steeped his soul in blood

MAY USE COMPRESSED AIR

New Motive Power for Railways in Western Ontario.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—Compressed air is the newest motive power proposed to be used for railways in this province. An organization of men styling themselves the Ontario Traction company will apply at the next session of the legislature for a charter to operate a system of railways in Western Ontario, the motive power to be compressed air, electricity, or any motive power other than steam. The system will, if it does all it sets out to do, spread over quite an area. It will touch London, Stratford, Seaforth, Mitchell, Clinton and Wingham. T. H. Luscombe of London is solicitor for the applicants.

NEW COAL AND COKE CO.

Heavily Capitalized Concern to Operate in British Columbia.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Capitalists are organizing the Imperial Coal & Coke company with a capital of $4,500,000 to operate deposits in the Crow's Nest district of British Columbia situated near those now being worked by the Canadian Pacific railway company. A large number of coking ovens will be erected.

SITUATION IN PANAMA.

An Election of Representatives Soon to Be Held.

Panama, Dec. 11.—The principal work of a political nature now occupying the attention of the Junta consists in preparations to call a convention and to proceed with the elections of members of the house of representatives, etc. Efforts are being made to hold the convention on February 3rd. Several of the Panamaian scouting parties have already left here and others will leave Panama shortly to watch the movements of the Colombians. No reports have yet been received from the parties in the field, and there is no news tending to confirm the reports from La Guaira of the landing of Colombian troops at the mouth of the Atrato river on the gulf of Darien.

A Panamaian gunboat and a United States gunboat have proceeded to David, near the western end of the isthmus of Panama, for the purpose of giving the people of that distrrict evidence of the fact that the United States forces are co-operating with those of Panama in maintaining peace on the isthmus. The gunboats are expected to return here on Sunday.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Information has been received by the navy department to the effect that the Colombian troops which were said to have landed at the mouth of the Atrato river to march on the isthmus have withdrawn.

WILL APPEAL TO ROOSEVELT.

His Sheep Butchered and Justice Denied by Local Authorities.

Seattle, Dec. 11.—President Roosevelt and attorney-general Knox may be called upon to take action to ascertain the guilty parties who engaged in a wholesale slaughter in Okanogan, and an attempt made upon the life of sheep raiser A. A. Curtis and his herders.

The slaughter of 900 head of sheep belonging to Curtis and the attempted murder took place last April. Since then it is claimed that Curtis has endeavored to get the authorities of Okanogan county to make an investigation, but the authorities have refused. Under the advice of his friends it is now said that Curtis will appeal to president Roosevelt.

The horrible slaughter of Curtis' sheep and the attempt to murder Curtis and several of his herders occurred early in April of the present year.

At the time Curtis had more than 3000 sheep in pasture in the vicinity of Alma. The night of April 7th he was asked to attend a dance, and while he was absent his enemies went to the place where the sheep were corralled and killed 900 of them. It has been charged that the men who killed the sheep were enemies of Curtis, who desired to drive him out of the community. The majority of the settlers in the district are engaged in cattle raising, and they claim that the introduction of sheep into that section of the country was taking up all of the pasture ground.

Just before the slaughter of the sheep Curtis announced to a number of his friends that he intended to purchase several thousand more sheep and take them to Alma. This so angered his enemies that they took steps to drive him from the county by killing off his sheep.

The day following the slaughter Curtis and his herders went to the spot where the dead sheep were, and started to take off the wool. While they were working 39 shots were fired at them by men concealed behind a small ridge some distance away. The shots all went wild of their mark.

Several days after the slaughter Curtis received a threatening letter from one of the men who had engaged in the slaughter of his sheep. It read as follows:

"Notice to Curtis. This is an object lesson to you. Next time you go up with the sheep! You get! Notice to O'Keefe, Murray, Bunn, Septrap, Fred. Cole, Carlos, and other suckers. You lay low and keep mum or we will see you next."

DREW A PARALLEL.

Sir William Harcourt Speaks of Chamberlain's Former Policy.

London, Dec. 11.—Sir William Vernon Harcourt, speaking to his constituents at Tredegar tonight, drew a parallel between a speech delivered in Birmingham in 1885 by Joseph Chamberlain and the present policy of the former colonial secretary. In 1885, said sir William, Mr. Chamberlain spoke as follows: "It is improbable that the working classes of this country will ever again submit to the sufferings inflicted by the corn laws. If this is the policy of the tories, we have only to recall the history of the times when protection starved the poor and the country was brought to the brink of revolution."

Sir William said he would "leave Mr. Chamberlain with his present and his topical conscience," and discuss that gentleman's immediate policy. He did not think it was worth while to take up time with Mr. Balfour's plan. The government this time was nothing that could really be called a government. "It was," sir William said, "only a derelict wreck of fortuitous atoms, which had lost its best officers and was being washed about by waves, over which it had no control."

The duke of Devonshire, late lord president of the council, has now taken up a decided attitude in the fiscal controversy. In a published letter written on the eve of several important bye elections for seats in parliament, the duke counsels the unionist electors to decline to support any unionist candidate who expressed sympathy with Mr. Chamberlain's policy.

JACKSON DEFEATS LONG.

The Trick Was Done By a Left Swing to the Neck.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 11.—Young Peter Jackson, of this city, knocked out Bob Long, of Chicago, in the 11th round of their 20-round bout tonight in the Eureka Athletic club. The men are colored and are in the middleweight class. A left swing to the neck and two short-arm jolts to the stomach put Long to sleep.

G. T. PACIFIC SECURITY.

It is Said the Amount Will Be Produced Today.

Victoria, Dec. 11.—A special from Ottawa says the Grand Trunk Pacific security matter will be definitely settled tomorrow. There has been no hitch, but only a question as to the character of the security.

HITT DEFENDS GOVERNMENT

Says Its Actions in Panama are Justifiable

Troops Have Been Landed on Isthmus Before

Washitgon, Dec. 11.—The birth of the republic of Panama and its recognition by the United States government was the subject of a spirited debate in the United States house of representatives today. Mr. Dinsmore(democrat, of Arkansas), during the consideration of the pensions appropriation bill, severely criticized the administration in connection with the canal, and Mr. Hitt (republican, of Illinois), chairman of the foreign affairs committee, replied in a vigorous defence of the president and his Central American policy. Mr. Williams (of Missouri) the minority leader, replied to Mr. Hitt, declaring that the minority did not condone the part taken by the United States government in connection with the Panama affair. Mr. Hitt said there was nothing hasty or unique in the recognition of the new republic, as it occurred five days after the promulgation of the independence of the republic. The president, Mr. Hitt said, had not been precipitate, but had waited a reasonable time. "But," he added, "he did not waste time; he never does."

"Ordinarily," Mr. Hitt went on, "when a ship is in port and a disturbance or insurrection occurs, we land troops to protect Americans from being killed or robbed. We have done that in France, and we would do it anywhere.

"In the case of Panama our situation was different from that of any spot on earth. We had a solemn and binding agreement which had been impressed upon during all these years, and often we were called on by the Colombian government, oftener by events, to enforce the obligation to keep that path open from sea to sea. Not to aid nor to suppress rebellion, but to keep the path open; and when we landed troops at Colon their duty under the treaty was plain, to let no armed men, or cause of any kind, to disturb the open, free course of commerce or of movement in the pathway across the isthmus. Now, it so happened in the course of human events which we do not guide, but which it is believed by many an all wise Providence watches and directs, that in this case our duty in good faith under the treaty to keep that highway open fell in with and brought out a consequence which was grave to Colombia. She has invoked that interference before, but it so happened that it always heretofore inured to her benefit. In this case that which we have done we did for a motive of the highest obligation of national faith. It was done sedulously and carefully, but it did result in making it very difficult for troops to come from Bogota. Our government will not permit any body on the line of that railway or the crossing of the isthmus, who would disturb free transit, and it is because the two things coincide that men, who do not look on the matter calmly and fairly, will say that we did what we did to injure Bogota, when in fact we did it to keep good faith, though it has injured Bogota."

There were two speeches in the United States senate today on the Cuban reciprocity bill, one of them by a democrat, in support of the bill, and the other by a republican in opposition to it.

The opposition speech was made by Mr. Bard (California) who contended that the United States was under no obligations to give further aid to Cuba, and especially when, too, we must pursue a course injurious to ourselves and our own industries.

Mr. McCreary (Kentucky) made his maiden speech in the senate, and supported the bill as in line with our past magnaminous course toward Cuba and especially because he believed it to be a step towards tariff reform.

IN THE HOUSE.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Representative Gibson (Tennessee) today introduced a resolution directed toward the reduction of the naval armament of the maritime nations of the world. It authorized the president "to open negotiations with such and so many of the maritime nations of the earth as he may deem expedient for the purpose of formulating some international agreement whereby the naval armaments of each nation shall be reduced to the minimum consistent with the adequate policy of its own waters and shores and the protection of its own citizens in foreign lands and the international suppression of piracy, private letters of marque on the high seas, and with the efficient enforcement of international obligations and the maintenance of the international peace."

CHANG TO BE IN COMMAND.

Shanghai, Dec. 11—It is reported here that the dowager empress intends to recall general Yint Chang, the Chinese minister to Germany, and to place him in command of the foreign drilled Manchurian troops.

JOHNSON GOT DECISION.

Colm, Calif., Dec. 11.—Jack Johnson, champion colored heavyweight was tonight given the decision at the end of the 20th round over Sandy Ferguson at the Colm club.

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THE INDUSTRY CAN STAND ALONE

The Greenwood correspondent of The Daily News points to a condition of the mining industry, which is one of its most hopeful features. He says: "Every day adds to the earned wealth of the country. No longer are we doing business on money borrowed for building or development purposes. The visible supply (of money) is increasing and it comes from a new source—the ground."

The mining industry of the province may be compared to a farmer, who started several years ago in debt. For a long period he paid out everything that his farm produced for interest and principal on mortgage and for tools, stock, seed and machinery. Finally he finds himself out of debt and knows that the profits of the farm will now be him and not his creditors'.

It must be remembered when quartz mining began in British Columbia, and its real beginning was not over 12 years ago, there was not a well developed lode mine in the province, nor was there a single large reduction plant. In many instances the mineral claims which companies operated were bought on time. They often had to go into debt to provide machinery and to develop mines so as to place them on a productive basis. In a number of cases reduction plants had to be provided. This piled up a big debt in the aggregate, which for a long period hampered the industry and prevented the payment of dividends. Now that the condition is reached, as described by our correspondent when we are no "longer doing business on money borrowed for building or development purposes," there has come a change for the better. The mining industry can now stand on its own feet and has arrived at that position when, even if not a single dollar of outside capital ever again came in for investment, it would make substantial progress on its own money taken as our correspondent says, "out of the ground."

To be sure the development would not be as rapid as though outside capital were available, but still it would be substantial and sure.

As an illustration of this take Poplar creek. Although the news of the discovery of what is supposed to be a very rich free gold belt has been to a considerable extent published far and wide outside of Canada up to date, no foreign capital has been invested in developing the properties there. Two groups were purchased by individuals who had made small fortunes in the Lardeau in other mining ventures, and syndicates in Rossland purchased two other groups. A Lardeau and a Rossland syndicate are engaged in operating Poplar creek properties on money which was made in mines in the province, and so far not a dollar of capital from outside the province has been put into the development of the lode mines there.

Further on when the local syndicates, which are taking all the chances because they have faith in the country, have demonstrated that the lodes of Poplar carry pay ore in large quantities, foreign capital will come in, purchase properties and assist in the general development. If they do not, however, home capital will continue its energetic work and in time it alone would, we believe, make Poplar a large and prosperous mining camp.

It is a fortunate thing that the mining industry is out of the dependent youthful stage, and is now in the independent age of manhood when it is able to help itself and can get along, if needs be, without foreign assistance.

At the same time the fact is recognized that foreign capital in the past has been of the utmost help to the mines, and mining would not have amounted to much but for its assistance. Should more come in it would be warmly welcomed, but its mission now would be in the direction of more rapidly developing the mineral resources than as something that we could not get along without.

TIME SHOULD BE TAKEN.

While our legislators are considering the new Assessment Act introduced by the government, it is not amiss to call attention to the fact that at the present time the Ontario legislators are considering an Assessment Act also. There is this difference, that while the McBride government are striving to railroad their bill through the house as rapidly as possible, the special committee considering the Ontario bill seem to be influenced more by a desire to enact a measure that will serve the purpose intended, the gathering of sufficient revenue, without being unfair to any interests, and are therefore taking ample time to ventilate the various phases of the bill.

The British Columbia bill provides for taxation of railways to the extent of $10,000 per mile, and the government are very anxious to let it be thought that they are doing something wonderfully good in suggesting the change, heedless of the fact that the bill, or a similar measure, was prepared by the previous government. The feeling in Ontario is that the railway corporations are escaping altogether too lightly and that taxation should be based upon an assessment of $30,000 per mile. The argument was advanced that the railways are better able to pay now than they ever were, and in support of this contention the gross earnings for 1900 and 1902 were quoted to the committee.

In the former year Canadian roads earned altogether $46,843,826, and last year the amount was $83,666,507. This is $3,584 per mile for the first period, and $4,434 per mile in the latter year. Mr. Pettypiece instanced the state of Minnesota, where railways were assessed $7,000 a mile.

In Michigan, 14 per cent of the taxation levied is derived from railways, against two per cent in Ontario, the average taxation paid by the Grand Trunk being only $57.72 per mile. Although the railway companies were represented before the committee by able counsel who fought against the raising of the basis of taxation to the figure proposed by the farmers and delegates from the municipalities, they admitted their willingness to pay more than they are doing. The plan they advocated was that the municipalities should, as at present, tax the real property and that the province should tax their net income. Hon. Mr. Gibson did not mince matters in expressing his opinion on the question. He said plainly and bluntly that he favored a straight tax upon mileage, which was simpler and more easily determined.

The railway companies do not want to pay more than they can help, which is natural enough, but as the attorney-general pointed out, "Ontario cannot withhold from taxing the railways to enable them to stand heavy taxes in the states." That does not perhaps apply here so directly as it does in Ontario and other provinces, but the principle is the same. We have no desire to see any interest bear an undue proportion of revenue production to the state, but the principle that privilege must pay rather than industry is a sound one, and the application of it in a practical way is to be found in making the privileged railway corporations pay as heavily as they can bear, within reasonable bounds.

The example set by Ontario in discussing this subject of taxation in special committee is a far better plan than the course adopted by the McBride government, of attempting to rush an immature, ill-digested bill through the house.

THE REFERENDUM.

The referendum has found favor in the eyest of Joseph Chamberlain. He thinks that the majority of the people of Great Britain and Ireland think well of his proposals as affecting the tariff and fiscal policy of Great Britain, but is aware that there are more issues than one before the British electorate at the present time. Knowing this he is anxious that the issue he has raised shall not be obscured by these others; he imagines that if the people had the chance, they would speak in favor of the adoption of his suggestions. If they did so the government of the day would have to carry them out or resign; there is no question about that. But we do not find Mr. Chamberlain advocating the use of the referendum in the case of the education measure which has caused as great an upheaval in Great Britain as the tariff question has succeeded in doing. Perhaps Mr. Chamberlain does not advocate its application to that question because he had a finger in the making of the pie and does not want the crust broken. Again, perhaps Mr. Chamberlain knows that he is no more likely to come out on top with his pet scheme than is the proverbial pig to fly, and knowing this, wishes to pave the way for defeat by lamenting that unless the referendum is applied to obtain the true expression of public opinion upon that one question, the other issues will so obscure it as to bring about a result apparently unfavorable to his plans. Whether this be so or not it is rather remarkable that Mr. Chamberlain should at this stage advocate the referendum. Not that the referendum is not in itself good and sound, but there have been so many other occasions when its adoption in Great Britain would have been a decided advantage, that his present advocating its application savors a little of political trickery and clap trap.

There has been occasions in this province when the referendum would have been most beneficial. The conservative government of the day do not agree with it and the members of that government have fought against its adoption, but that does not in any degree lessen the truth of the general assertion that had the referendum been used on certain occasions in British Columbia the province would have been infinitely better off today than it is. More thon once a resolution suggesting the propriety of applying the principle of the referendum in the case of questions involving the alienation of lands and the payment of cash subsidies to railway promoters came before the house and was voted down. For example on March 12th, 1901, J. C. Brown moved, and Smith Curtis seconded the following resolution: Whereas, under the constitution of the province of British Columbia, four years may, and as a rule do, elapse between one general election and another:

And whereas, between one general election and another, questions arise as to the assistance to be given by the province to private enterprises, many of which questions are of large and far-reaching importance:

And whereas it is advisable, in the public interest, that the electors of the province should have the right to secure, in some proper and constitutional way, an opportunity to express their approval or disapproval of proposals to grant to private enterprises large amounts of the public moneys or public lands of the province:

Therefore, be it resolved, that this house would approve of a measure designed to provide, under proper safeguards and conditions, for the reference of such proposals to a vote of the electors of the province.

This was the motion. It was negatived by a vote of 23 to 11. Among those voting against it were Messrs. McBride, Fulton, Tatlow and the ex-attorney-general McPhillips. These fairly represented the present ministry. It may be taken therefore that the present government, unlike Joseph Chamberlain, do not approve of the referendum and yet how much more comfortable would the people of the province feel if they had the satisfaction of enjoying such a controlling force as this means of checking a government's wasteful career. Unfortunately the past has not inspired us with any confidence in the stripe of men now directing, or about to misdirect, the affairs of the province. If they could be induced to pass a measure giving the people that which they refused to give when Mr. Brown asked for it, one source of mistrust would be forever removed.

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SHOULD BE A GOOD EXHIBIT

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EACH DISTRICT OUGHT TO MAKE A CREDITABLE SHOWING.

Persistent efforts continue to be made to secure from every prominent mining camp in the United States a thoroughly characteristic and complete mineral exhibit at the St. Louis exposition, to be held next year, says the Mining Record.

There is good reason to conclude that the exhibit in the mines and metallurgy department of the exposition will be the most comprehensive yet seen on this continent, and that this unusually good opportunity to make an effective display of ores fully representative of the mineral resources of their respective leading mining camps will be taken advantage of by the mining states generally.

But while our neighbors south of the international boundary line appear to be alive to the importance of the occasion, and to recognize that material benefit may be expected to result to mining districts using this means of attracting attention to their mines and the openings they offer for the employment of capital, British Columiba gives no sign of a similar appreciation of the duty it owes to its mining industry, to secure the more extensve development of which should be its constant care. It is true that some months since circulars were sent out on behalf of the exhibition branch of the dominion department of agriculture, requesting that mineral specimens for St. Louis be sent to Ottawa, but it is doubtful if any general response resulted. So far as we have been informed, not one of the mining camps of the province has yet sent a thoroughly representative collection of minerals for exhibition at St. Louis.

Individual properties here and there have sent ore exhibits, and in several camps visited last spring by a representative of the department of agriculture collections of mineral specimens were made and sent to Ottawa. Good as these may be in their way they are neither complete nor even fairly representative of the mining industry of British Columbia. It may be that it is now too late to secure as much space at the exposition as so important a mining section of the dominion should have, but surely there is still time to make something more than a patchwork display.

The total value of the dominion's production of these four metals (including placer gold) in 1902 was $28,511,767, in the following proportions: Yukon territory (placer gold only) $14,500,000; British Columbia, $12,174,242; remainder of Canada, $1,837,525. From this it will be seen that this province easily leads in the dominion in the production of lode gold, silver, copper and lead, so it should be well represented on the few occasions that offer to widely advertise its mineral wealth.

But if anything effective is to be done at St. Louis it should be done without further delay. Will the boards of trade of the province take the initiative and endeavor to arouse a genuine and general interest in this matter, or is this unusually favorable opportunity to call attention to the mineral resources of the province to be, by general consent, neglected?

LABOR SAVING DRILL.

A Machine That Shifts Steel for the Striker.

The London Mining Journal in a recent issue gives an interesting description of a new invention, a rock-boring machine designed to reduce the number of men employed in hand drilling by dispensing with a man to hold the drill steel. The machine consists of a cylinder in which the drill steel is held, and in which there is also a spring to set the steel again for another blow, and a ratchet movement for altering the position of the drill steel edge. The miner striking the drill stands with one foot on an iron plate, and when the blow has been delivered he simultaneously releases the footplate by which the spring ratchet movement is brought into play, and thus sets the tool for another blow. The machine is very compact and portable, and is adapted for either face working with tripod stand, or with spreader bar for work in mine levels in any position and at any angle. It is claimed for the machine that the tool, which is inexpensive, will save its cost in a few weeks by dispensing with the services of a holder up and by cleaner and more rapid drilling. At a trial the machine worked well in either sandstone or granite, and seemed adapted for unskilled labor.

SLOCAN MINING NOTES

The following notes are taken from the Slocan Drill:

The Comstock is sending down ore for shipment.

Work has started again on the Dayton by the lessees.

Eight feet of ore is exposed in the drift on the Hope, one of the Ruth group.

Sam Long took a packtrain to Lemon on Saturday, to bring down half a carload of ore from the Kilo.

Bob Allen sent an outfit of horses to Lemon creek Wednesday, to convey the McNaught party to the Kilo for examination.

Freighting on the Ten Mile road has been stopped, owing to lack of snow. The Enterprise has a large quantity of ore to come down.

Kaslo will grant a bonus of $50,000 and 10 years exemption from taxation to the Canadian Smelting Co., if they will erect a lead smelter in that burg.

Two men have been working lately on the Argentite fraction, adjoining the Dayton. They have uncovered six inches of good ore, similar in character to that on the Port Hope.

The ore being obtained at the Black Prince is of the most satisfactory grade, and if rawhiding were possible the lessees would soon realize dividends, says the Slocan Drill. Two assays on the shippin ore were obtained this week, one giving 180 ounces in silver and the other 390 ounces in silver and 81 per cent lead. The chief work at the mine is confined to the raise which is up over 60 feet and with 50 feet yet to go. When that is completed the lessees will commence breaking down ore.

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PREPARING FOR CAMPAIGN

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE IS IN SESSION.

CHICAGO WILL PROBABLY BE SCENE OF CONVENTION.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The citizens' committee gathering in Washington from various cities to boom their towns as proposed meeting places of the republican national convention in 1904 are increasing rapidly. Pursuant to the call of chairman Hanna the republican national committee went into session at the Arlington hotel today. Today's session is solely for the purpose of appointing sub-committees, and the claims of cities aspiring to entertain the national convention will not be heard until tomorrow.

An exceedingly active competition to secure the national convention is in progress among the delegations representing several cities, and tonight, when all the national committeemen and all the city delegations will be here, hard work will be done. The delegation representing the Hamilton club of Chicago, which was the earliest to put in an appearance and secure headquarters at a leading hotel, was strengthened by the arrival of several more Chicagoans today.

Chicago is prepared to put up the $50,000 guarantee and also offer an additional $30,000 to equip the Coliseum as a place for holding the convention. It appears at present that a majority of the national committeemen favor Chicago as the meeting place, but the contest has not reached a point where any particular city can claim a definite assurance of having won the fight. In addition to Chicago, the cities of New York, Pittsburg, Buffalo, Cleveland, Omaha, Detroit, Milwaukee, Indianapolis and San Francisco have made preliminary bids for the convention. The majority of these, however, have dropped out of the fight and only a few will present their claims to the committee tomorrow.

The meeting of the committeemen has given rise to many reports and much speculation as to what will be done by the committee regarding the presidential campaign next year. From statements recently published there seems to be an impression that the national committee now in existence will have charge of the next presidential campaign in some unexplained way, and that the conduct of the campaign is to be discussed at the present meeting. As a matter of fact the present national committee practically ceased to have any authority after the close of the national campaign of 1900.

Its duties and its functions ceased with the close of the campaign, with the single exception of coming together at the present time to fix the date and place for holding the national convention of 1904. That duty having been performed the committee will have no reason for again meeting. The only thing remaining for the present committee after this meeting will be for its chairman to call the national convention to order and preside until a temporary chairman is chosen, which is usually done within an hour after the body convenes.

The convention itself chooses the national committee, the comittee elects an executive committee, and the latter chooses its officers. The chairman of the executive committee, however, is usually chosen after consultation with the presidential candidate. The only importance attaching to the present committee after today's meeting is due to the chance of its chairman and other members being re-chosen to conduct the next campaign. It is understood that President Roosevelt has asked senator Hanna to remain at the head of the committee and direct the fight next year. Whether or not the Ohio senator has or will comply with the request is not as yet officially known.

The secretaryship of the committee is a matter that is exciting much interest among politicians of both parties. In view of the Bristow report on the postal frauds it appears almost impossible that Perry Heath will continue as secretary of the committee. Senator Hanna, however, has stood by Heath through thick and thin, and in case the latter is not inclined to stay out it is believed he will be upheld in his position by senator Hanna. In the event of his resignation the most likely candidate for the place now seems to be Harry New, the Indiana member of the committee and a valiant worker in the republican ranks. New is a close friend of Heath, however, and will make on effort to get the place should the latter evince a desire to stay.

THE BEST REMEDY FOR CROUP.

(From the Atchison, Kan., Daily Globe)

This is the season when the woman who says the best remedies for croup is in demand in every neighborhood. One of the most terrible things in the world is to be awakened in the middle of the night by a whoop from one of the children. The croup remedies are almost as sure to be lost, in case of croup, as a revolver is sure to be lost in the case of burglars. There used to an old fashioned remedy for croup, known as hive syrup, but some modern mothers say that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is better, and does not cost so much. It causes the patient to "throw up the phlegm" quicker, and gives relief in a shorter time. Give this remedy as soon as the croupy cough appears and it will prevent the attack. It never fails and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

EUROPE HONORS DR. KOCH.

Recognized as the Leading Authority on Tuberculosis.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—Professor Koch, the eminent physician and scientit, was the recipient of many honors today on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday. Congratulatory addresses were received from scientific bodies in many parts of the world. Another gift was a marble bust, his own likeness, presented by friends and admirers in Great Britain and Germany.

Professor Koch is recognized as the world's leading authority in tuberculosis, the bubonic plague and all diseases of a like nature. For nearly forty years, ever since he gained his degree of M. D., he has been studying germs, and about 1880 he succeeded in identifying the germ of cattle diseases and of consumption. His remarkable discoveries led to his being placed at the head of the German cholera commission which visited Egypt and India, and while on this investigation he discovered the coma bacillus of cholera, receiving a reward of 100,000 marks from the government. Further researches in bacteriology established his reputation as the leader in this branch of medicine, and led to his appointment as professor of hygiene at the university of Berlin.

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ASSAYERS ELECT OFFICERS.

The British Columbia Institute of Assayers has been reorganized for the ensuing year, officers being elected as follows: President, Thomas Kiddie, Tyee Copper company; vice-president, S. G. Blaylock, Trail; secretary-treasurer, Arthur A. Cole, Rossland; council, Herbert Carmichael, Victoria; A. L. McKillop, Nelson; Walter E. Segsworth, Greenwood, and Douglas Lay, McGuigan. The organization has a snug balance in the bank and looks forward to a useful year's work.

AN ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA WARDED OFF.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a severe cold. She complained of pains in her chest and had a bad cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family for the past seven years and have never known it to fail," says James Prendergast, merchant, Annato Bay, Jamaica, West India Islends. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was undoubtedly warded off by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

WILL NOT ENTER POOL.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—It is officially announced that the Dominion Iron & Steel and the Nova Scotia company will not enter the steel billet pool, formed by the United States Steel company, and containing all the manufacturers of steel billets in the United States except one.

GAINED FORTY POUNDS IN THIRTY DAYS.

For several months our youngest brother had been troubled with indigestion. He tried several remedies but got no benefit from them. We purchased some of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and he commenced taking them. Inside of thirty days he had gained forty pounds in flesh. He is now fully recovered. We have a good trade on the tablets.—Holley Bros., Merchants, Long Branch, Mo. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

NOTED UNION MAN DEAD.

Baltimore, Dec. 11.—Geo. G. Nachman, a out the country for his long identification with union labor, died here today.

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TIMBER NOTICES

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Situated on the West Fork of Cultus Creek, Kootenay Lake, beginning at a post marked J. M. Lay's North East corner running thence West 160 chains, thence South 40 chains, thence East 160 chains, thence North 40 chains to point of commencement.

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JOHN W. MALCOLM.

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W. A. BOULTBEE.

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A. D. SYKES.

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A. D. SYKES.

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JOHN MILTON.

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JOHN VICARS.

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C. C. BILLINGS.

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That was Jay Gould's estimate of John D. Rockefeller. Gould was considered to be a judge of men and methods, and the "Little Wizard" never failed to impress upon his son, George the high mightiness and transcendent abilities of the lord of the oil kingdom.

The same "organizing brain" of what everyone called "the octopus" 20 years ago has of late gathered in the son of Jay, says the New York Press, and the combination formed is regarded by men in the swim of Wall street as the most powerful ever known in the history of the world.

Who is this Rockefeller? Pages in newspapers and magazines have been devoted to him, but no writer has told anything about him except the old hackneyed guess stories of his early struggles. He has educated every one who comes in contact with him in the art of keeping silent. To speak to him of his personal affairs means instant dismissal from his service and from his friendship.

Go to his office to enquire about him. In a glass case at the portals of No. 26 Broadway, known as the Standard Oil building, sits all day long an old man in a gray uniform. It is usual for all great office structures to have a directory of tenants in a conspicuous place near the entrance. There is no directory in the Standard Oil building. If you desire to visit some one there the man in the glass case will refer to a book in his keeping. It contains the name of every occupant of the building, the floor and room number, etc. He will tell you whether the person enquired for is in or out, and when he is likely to be at leisure.

"Tell me about Rockefeller; what are his personal habits?"

The question was put to a department head, who replied:

"I know nothing about him. I have worked in the Standard Oil building for five years, as manager of a department, but I have never set eyes on Mr. Rockefeller. No one is allowed to speak of him, so I don't know a thing about him."

The chief clerk of another department one of the most important in the concern, has been with the company for 26 years. His salary is $5,000.

"I have never seen Mr. Rockefeller," he said to the writer. "It is a mistake to suppose that he comes to the office every day. Why, he remains away for months at a time, leaving the entire control to his cabinet. I suppose you know who are his ministers."

Every one knows in a general way. He has made more than 100 men millionaires. A few of his early partners remain with him, and they are his ministers. Among them are Henry H. Rogers and John D. Archbold, who, with his brother, William Rockefeller, and his only son, John, Jr., are the present wheel horses.

John D. Rockefeller is 64. His friends say he is not looking for revenge, but forgiveness. The one place to get close to him is at Sunday school. In business he is as impenetrable and unapproachable as the veiled prophet of Khorassan.

J. Pierpont Morgan is spectacular; Rockefeller is shrinking and unobstrusive.

Morgan is worth $50,000,000; Rockefeller's wealth is above $250,000,000; yet when he first embarked in the oil business he was so poor that he could not get credit for a carload of oil.

Morgan's every step is known to the world at large. Rockefeller's doings are never heard of. When he goes to his office not even his clerks are aware of it. He employs 25,000 men, and not more than 300 of them ever saw him. He gives away $750,000 every year in charity and employs a clerk at $10,000 annually to keep track of his tithes. The world seldom hears of his givings, except when he hands over to president Harper a million or two for the Chicago university.

Morgan we know a good deal about through his cabinet. Some of them cannot refrain from talking now and then. He can be seen daily at his desk by people in Broad street. He is big of stature, big voiced, big footed. When he puts his foot down the earth trembles. Detectives guard him wherever he goes.

Rockefeller manages to arrive and depart without attracting attention. He is a slender man. He looks like a gentle minister of the Gospel. His partners will tell you nothing concerning him. No one knows apparently if he walks, drives or rides to his office. Is he guarded by detectives, ask his friends. None knows. This shrinking, delicate man, this Veiled Prophet of Bowling Green, controls 75 per cent of all the oil product of the land. He owns more stock in Standard Oil constituent companies than the Standard Oil company itself, and is the largest stockholder in the parent company. He controls vast railroad systems. He owns every oil car in the United States, 20,000 miles of pipe lines, 200 ocean and river steamers and 75,000 delivery wagons.

Rockefeller is the most potent financial factor in the whole world. Yet he is so mild that when a clerk unknown to him protested against his taking morning exercise on a lifting machine in his cubby-hole of an office, he apologized and had the machine removed.

Rockefeller's first money was earned in a speculation in hoop poles. He had saved a few dollars on the farm of his father, and with them bought a raft of poles, which he floated to a mill on the Ohio river and sold at a profit of $50.

"It is Mr. Rockefeller's most earnest desire to remain out of people's thoughts," says one who has known him long.

Surely. The Standard Oil octopus was the most unpopular institution of the kind the world ever countenanced, and many a time it was almost as much as a man's life was worth to admit his connection with the terrible trust. It was deemed advisable to "lay low," and let people forget, if possible, how competition was being crushed. The policy of stillness and silence being once established has ever since been maintained.

If a man quits the company's employ in good standing he is informed by the committee that he can return to his old job at any time, provided he is discreet. That is, if he keeps he secrets of the company he can go back. The writer enquired of a former employee of no little consequence:

"Tell me something about the personal habits of Mr. Rockefeller."

With a startled look he replied: "Are you going to roast Mr. Rockefeller?"

"Not at all; but I want to know him as he appears to his employees. People would like to have a closer view of him."

"Well, I don't know a thing that would interest you. I had 65 men under me in the office, and not one of them knew anything about the chief. I doubt if he has any personal habits. If he has I never heard of them."

"Perhaps you know, but dare not tell."

"I really and truly do not know. But you are right; if I did I should not tell. I may want to return to my old place one of these days, and I could not do that if I were to talk."

Rockefeller is a director in only four corporations—so far as the world knows. He dominates a hundred and fifty. His only pastime is golf, and he played that only for a short time to regain his health. At home he sometimes amuses himself with a game of solitaire. It has been said that he maps out his plans with cards.

Rockefeller is not without his little sanctities. One of them is a firm belief in the occult world and its influences. He used to be a regular visitor at the house of a well-known medium; and it related that on a certain occasion he had an interview with the shade of Jay Gould. Possibly Jay advised him to take George and go for the scalps of his enemies.

"The Standard Oil company, in so far as its policies are concerned," says an associate of one of the directors, "is organized just like an army staff. Rockefeller is the general, and under him are the major-generals, brigadier-generals, colonels, etc. He is the master mind. He plans 15 years ahead. The man seems gifted with second sight. Far in the future he lays his pipes and builds his fences. He seems to know which way events are coming, and how they will affect the commercial and industrial world.

"His ministers or generals used to stand aghast at his suggestions. One day a man who is now a director in the company, and worth $50,000,000 protested that Mr. Rockefeller was so far ahead of the times that it would wreck the trust to keep up with him. Usually the most complaisant of men, Mr. Rockefeller was nettled, and did not endeavor to conceal his personal pique. It was the first time his policy had ever been questioned.

"And, I may add, it was also the last time. If he were to propose something for 1950 to prove that in that year the world would be in such a condition that it would be necessary to pipe oil from whales in the Arctic ocean, his generals would immediately set going the necessary machinery to corral the whales and conduct the pipe lines, fully confident that things would turn out precisely as Mr. Rockefeller predicted. His judgment is infallible.

"Rockefeller has never worked for any one on salary or commission since he was a boy. All of his monster promotions were for himself and his company. What the man likes is power, power, and even more power. He has more money than he knows what to do with, and goes to Sunday school and lives in retirement to keep from offending the public."

Both John D. and William Rockefeller are members of the stock exchange, but neither is to be seen on the floor. If the former should walk upon the floor there would be a panic among the brokers. They would conclude at once that he had bought out the exchange, lock, stock and barrel, and owned all the securities in the world.

Secretaries and attorneys attend to all of Mr. Rockefeller's business, except signing his name. He positively refuses to let details annoy him, and knows nothing of them.

He is as plainly dressed as any man of small salary in New York; frock coat, dark grey trousers, calf shoes, derby hat, black waistcoat. Sometimes his rather solemn habit is relieved at the throat by a cravat with a bit of color, preferably red. He wears no scarf-pin, and his sleeve buttons cost only a dollar or two. His watch chain is gold, and, crossing the vest, dips into both pockets, watch in one, pencil in the other.

Rockefeller never drinks, and it is said there never was a bottle of wine on his table at home.

If he has kept a scrap book of all the columns of vituperation, abuse, vitrification, charges of bribery, suppression, destruction of rivals, embracery, intimidation, robbery, arson and even murder that have been heaped upon Standard Oil and its owners it must be bigger than the building at No. 26 Broadway.

Yet, the silent czar has never been trapped. He does not know if his company keeps books, but he acknowledges that it sometimes keeps records. And those records, unfortunately, sometimes get lost.

There is not a court in the country that has ever convicted a Standard Oil magnate, though all the crimes in the calendar have been charged. Attorneys-general and solicitors-general have toiled like madmen to catch John D. Rockefeller in the meshes of legal nets, but he always has escaped.

When the great state of Ohio sent a supreme court over here, by proxy, to examine him, he quickly made himself so agreeable on the witness stand that he was purged of contempt, and the court withdrew with an apology, so to speak.

"I never remember more than six years back," he says. But he sees 25 years ahead.

Mr. Rockefeller had a standing offer of $1,000,000 a year to a young man who could successfully manage the affairs of the Standard Oil company and relieve him of the care of the business. The young man never came.

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Bankers, operators, speculators, brokers, manipulators—all are at sea when Rockefeller touches the financial button. It is 100,000 shares here, 100,000 there, 100,000 yonder, and presently, in a state of semi-panic, the street wakes up, and yells "Rockefeller!"

One of the 25 departments of the Standard Oil company is that which takes care of the purchase and sale of stocks. The outside world knows nothing of it. Millions of shares have been traded in by Mr. Rockefeller's personal order, yet not a share could be traced till the deliveries were made.

Whenever anything threatens the equanimity of "Pious John" he gives a million to a church, $100,000 to a hospital, $5,000,000 to president Harper's toy college, and goes early to Sunday school. For breakfast he drinks hot water. He does not smoke. His mentor is his good wife, who used to be a schoolteacher in Cleveland.

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MANUAL TRAINING CLASS.

Exhibition of Work Will Be Held This Afternoon at Public School.

An exhibition of the work of the manual training class, which Harry Dunnell has been conducting for the last five weeks, opens this afternoon at 1.30, in the public school. The work consists of a series of free hand brush drawings and models in clay by the members of the class, a series of clay models done by Mr. Dunnell himself to illustrate his system and also some examples of the woodwork done by boys of the Victoria schools.

Mr. Dunnell said yesterday:

"My idea in holding this exhibition was to interest the people of Nelson in this system of hand and eye training. This system is practically a continuation of the kindergarten teaching. We take up brush drawing and modelling in clay, each of which subjects is a great assistance to the study of the other. After the clay modeling instruction in working in wood follows and in the natural course, working in metal."

Mr. Dunnell's class consists of 25 teachers and high school pupils who are taking the course with a view to introducing it in the schools. Mr. Dunnell has, so far, only attempted to train his class in the brush drawing and modelling on account of the extremely limited time at his disposal, six weeks in all, but in the subjects taken up really remarkable progress has been made, some of the pupils having turned out very creditable specimens of landscape work.

Outside of Vancouver and Victoria, Nelson is the first city of the province which will have introduced the manual training system, but Mr. Dunnell expects that from now on it will rapidly spread. The work has only been adopted by the government since last September, although it has been going on for some years supported by sir William Macdonald, of Montreal. In Victoria there is a large class in wood working for boys, the members of which are doing some beautiful work.

The mayor and the city council will inspect the exhibition this morning at 11 o'clock, and at 1.30 p.m. the doors will be opened to the public. Mr. Dunnel will be on hand to explain the theory and practice of the system so that an hour spent there will be of interest and value.

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COBALT AND MOLYBDENITE OCCUR IN GIANT ORE.

METALLURGIST EVOLVES PLAN FOR SAVING THEM.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Rossland, Dec. 11.—An interesting and important development in the local mining industry is outlined in the anouncement by the Giant Mining company that at a comparatively early date it will establish in Rossland reduction works for the purpose of saving the cobalt and molybdenum, which, with gold, constitute the valuable metals in the product of the Giant mine. Heretofore the company has realized on the gold alone, the ore carrying neither copper or silver.

From its London office the Giant company announces that tests of smelter pulps representing 3,120 tons of ore disclosed the presence of .69 per cent cobalt, or 60,630 pounds of the metal in the tonnage specified. Cobalt is worth $1 per pound, less the costs of refining, smelter losses and transport to Liverpool. The same tonnage of ore was estimated to have contained 104 1-2 tons of molybdenite worth five shillings per pound, less the same charges that apply to cobalt. If the company's estimates are accurate it is decidedly important that they should make every effort to recover the rarer metals. Recently the company appointed Ferdinand Deitzsch, of London, consulting engineer, and the methods of saving the cobalt and molybdenum were left in his hands. A number of tests were made at Swansea and elsewhere, and it is now announced that Mr. Deitzsch has evolved a system to successfully obtain the desired results. Mr. Deitzsch is now in India, but the statement is made that as soon as he returns he will leave London for Rossland to put into effect the company's plans for treating Giant ores. Meantime shareholders are being asked to purchase treasury stock to supply capital for this work and for the equipment and development of the mine generally.

ELECTRICAL SMELTING.

Copper Ore Was Easily and Cheaply Reduced.

The Engineering Magazine, New York, gives in its November number an interesting synopsis of a paper recently presented before the Society of Civil Engineers of France, and published in the Memoires of that society, in which M. Ch. Vattier gives an account of the work which has been done at Grenoble with the Keller and Leleux furnace for the electrical smelting of copper.

M. Vattier relates how, in the course of a visit to Chili, he obtained a quantity of ores of copper, iron and mangenese, for purposes of experiment. These he brought to France, and after some preliminary trials at the works at La Praz, he made a careful trial with the furnace at Livet, near Grenoble. The result of these trials was so encouraging that proper modifications in the furnaces were made and plans for the further reduction of copper ores by electricity were arranged.

M. Vattier gives in his paper a report of a test made in the presence of a number of eminent English and French metallurgists, showing that 8,000 kilogrammes, or 8 metric tons, of ore were treated in the electric furnace and fully reduced to a matte in eight hours by the expenditure of 500 kilowatts of electrical energy. This ore contained about 7 per cent of metallic copper, and the resulting matte showed 43 per cent of metallic copper, while but 0.1 per cent of metallic copper was found in the slag. The consumption of the carbon electrodes during the operation amounted to 6 to 7 kilogrammes per ton of ore treated, but by the use of electrodes of artificial graphite this consumption may be reduced to 5 kilogrammes per ton.

The furnace used is of a double type, there being an upper crucible in which the ore is fused in the are formed between electrodes, and a lower portion into which the fused material flows, this latter being provided with moveable carbon electrodes which may be plunged into the molten bath or raised above the surface. By this arrangement the fusion is fully effected in the first crucible, and the reduction finally effected in the second portion, the latter operation being capable of close regulation, the slag being drawn off above and the fused matte by separate openings lower down. The results of numerous experiments with this apparatus have shown that 100 tons of ore can be treated in 24 hours by the expenditure of 3,000 horse-power, so that the cost of the operation may be determined by the cost of power in the locality where the work is done.

M. Vattier goes somewhat into detail in the matter of cost of smelting the same ores in Chili, and shows that the question of the economical employment of electrical energy for smelting over the use of coke furnaces is worthy of consideration in that locality. Thus, at the foot of the Cordilleras, where is situate the "Volcan" mine from which the ores above referred to were taken, coke costs at least 100 francs per metric ton, while ample and uniform hydraulic power is readily and cheaply obtainable. The coke furnaces there in use consume 3,200 kilogrammes of coke per ton of copper produced in the form of matte, so there is a cost of 320 francs per ton on the fuel account. The cost of electrical energy is estimated by M. Vattier as 20 francs per kilowatt year, or at 1.25 kilowatt per ton of copper produced, gives 38 francs for the cost of the current. The cost of electrodes is put at 45 francs, or a total of 83 francs as against 320 francs for the older process, all other charges being assumed to remain unchanged. The advantages of electrical smelting appear, but in a lesser degree, for poorer ores, and in any case the cost should be worked out according to the quantity of ore to be treated and the local conditions under which the work is done.

DID NOT COME FROM KASLO.

Editor, The Daily News: Referring to your report of the proceeding of a meeting of the Nelson board of trade appearing in your issue of even date.

The statement that the resolution advocating a bonus on zinc emanated from the Kaslo board of trade is incorrect.

This resolution was taken up by the associated boards at Rossland, and having been proposed without due notice, was referred back to the various boards forming the association for approval or otherwise. The Kaslo board will deal with the resolution at a meeting called for tomorrow.

Kindly give this due publicity and oblige, yours truly, O. A. SUTHERLAND, Secretary.

Kaslo, B. C., Dec. 11th.

PROPOSED ZINC BOUNTY

Editor, The Daily News: Will you kindly allow me to correct the statement contained in your report of a meeting of the Nelson board of trade, held last night, viz., that, at the convention of the associated boards of trade, held at Rossland, I proposed a resolution asking the dominion government to encourage "by bonus or otherwise" the production of zinc in British Columbia. So far from proposing this resolution I opposed it, and I intend opposing its endorsement by the Kaslo board, on the grounds that:

1. It is unwise for the boards to act on such questions at the request of individuals and without the concurrence of at least a majority of those directly interested.

2. That the boards are likely to weaken their own usefulness by adopting even such an indefinite resolution as is proposed, without having first fully informed themselves as to the requirements of the industry in question.

3. That the resolution is so vague that if used in support of the ideas conveyed by the resolution originally brought forward at Rossland, it may well do more harm than good. Yours truly,

JOHN L. RETALLACK.

Kaslo, B. C., Dec. 11th.

MINES ARE LOOKING WELL

McPHEE SPEAKS HOPEFULLY OF CONDITIONS IN SLOCAN.

FREQUENT DISCOVERIES MADE OF HIGH GRADE ORE.

R. J. McPhee, a well known mining man from Slocan City, was in Nelson yesterday on business, and leaves this morning for home.

In conversation with a reporter of The Daily News, Mr. McPhee said that he considered the outlook for the Slocan as most encouraging, more so than at any time in its history.

"When I say that, I do not mean that conditions are good now, but that the mines were never looking better, and that, sooner or later means prosperity. There has been a lot of development work at depth done there this year, and the discoveries made have proved beyond a doubt that the leads are not merely surface deposits, and also prove that the richest ore has yet to be found. This morning before I left for Nelson I saw an assayer complete the testing of a piece of rock brought down from the bottom workings of one property, and the result was a solid button of almost pure silver. The returns on that one sample were 14,000 ounces of silver to the ton, and while, of course, that was only an extra good piece of rock yet the finding of it shows what there is yet to be discovered. Silver is now down to a most discouraging figure, but we do not expect to see it go much lower, and when the upward movement commences again you will see returns from some of the Slocan properties that will surprise almost everybody. Discoveries of high grade ore at depth are very important to all interested in the district as they go to show that it has a permanent basis for future prosperity. These discoveries have encouraged the mining men of the district considerably as is shown by the large number of properties on which development work is now being pushed.

"Every day or so sees a property that has been shut down for from one to four years, leased or bonded under some working arrangement, which reveals that the men who are taking hold are satisfied that they have a good thing. The toboggan slide in the price of silver during the last month has, of course, been most depressing to all, but still new properties are being taken up and got into shape for working, and, as I said before, when the price of silver rises again, it will means more than it ever did to the Slocan.

"At present we are catching it in several directions. The lack of snow prevents a pound of ore being moved from nearly all the properties, as on half the road or trail there is snow and on the rest bare ground. A couple of feet of snow would start rawhiding in earnest from many mines, and if silver would only take a rise the output of ore would jump very rapidly to large proportions. The long spell of low prices and bad times generally that the silver-lead mining industry of the Kootenays has experienced has resulted in the study of more economical methods of mining and has taught many different kinds of lessons, all of which are valuable and will probably prove to have been even worth the price."

CANADIAN OUTPOST SHIFTED

Major Zachary Taylor Wood Announces the Change.

Seattle, Dec. 11.—A despatch from Dawson, says: Major Zachary Taylor Wood, who has returned to Dawson, announces the first change of Canadian outposts in conformity with the findings of the international commission, which arbitrated the boundary between Canada and the United States. Major Wood, who is the commander of the Northwest Mounted Police, moved the police post at Wells, on the Dalton trail, to the present camp. It is possible that the latter may be changed also, but this will depend upon the international survey which will be made next spring.

Major Wood became famous as collector of customs at the summit of White Pass during the first rush to the Klondike and at that time forced the Canadian line forward 17 miles from Lake Bennet to the summit by advancing his detachment. He is a nephew of general Taylor, the former president of the United States.

DEATH OF MR. FRENYEAR.

Was the Canadian Manager of the Westinghouse Company.

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 11.—Mr. Frenyear, of Buffalo, died from typhoid fever at McKellar hospital, Fort William, yesterday afternoon after an illness of three weeks. Mr. Frenyear came west with Mr. Abbot, chief engineer of Kakabeka Falls Land & Electric company, to look over the grounds at the falls and estimate for a plant of the company. He had recently been appointed manager of the Canadian branch of the Westinghouse company at Buffalo.

WANT TO BE IN DEPENDENT.

British Cotton Consumer Seeking New Fields For Fibre.

London, Dec. 11.—An imperial grant in aid of the cotton-growing interests in British West Africa will be proposed during the coming session of parliament. The recent excitement in Lancashire caused by the report of the agricultural department at Washington of a shortage in the American crop is being utilized as a reason why every effort should be made to render the British cotton trade independent of shortages in the United States.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Farmer Incinerated in the Flames of His Own House.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 11.—John McIntyre, a farmer of Burford, was burned to death by a fire which destroyed his house at an early house yesterday. The victim lived alone. Early Wednesday evening he became intoxicated and it is supposed that on striking a match to light a lamp he set fire to the house.

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY.

New York, Dec. 11.—A verdict of not guilty was returned this afternoon by the jury in the trial of Daniel Myers, of Cleveland, formerly president of the Manhattan Fire Insurance company, on a charge of larceny of $9,500. The charge grew out of the troubles of the insurance company.

HOLIDAY TRADE VERY GOOD

BRADSTREETS REPORT BUSINESS ACTIVE IN CANADA.

ON THE PACIFIC COAST THE OUTLOOK IS BRIGHT.

Toronto, Dec. 11—Wholesale firms at Montreal are busy with the sorting and holiday trade now, and the next ten days will be a busy period as it always is at this season of the year. The cold weather has stimulated the demand for heavy winter goods. The prosperity of the masses has kept the general demand for holiday goods fairly satisfactory. The advances in staple cottons this week have improved the demand in that direction. Money is in good demand and rates are being well maintained.

Trade at Toronto has continued fairly active this week. The movement in winter goods to sort stocks has been good, and the cold weather throughtout the province has resulted in materially increasing the sales. The business in spring trade is satisfactory and promises to show a further increase soon under the stimulus of advancing prices. Business in most departments compares favorably with that of 1902 and the outlook is promising. The stocks of goods carried over last summer are believed to be light.

At Quebec trade in the various lines shows an improvement and holiday goods are in good demand. Spring orders are commencing to arrive and the demand from the country is encouraging. Payments as a rule are reported fair for the season. Prices are being well maintained.

At the Pacific coast trade centres, as reported to Brandstreets, a good seasonable business is being done. The outlook for the spring trade is encouraging. Sawmill men are complaining of American lumber being freely brought into the territories and Manitoba to the detriment of their business. Fresh discoveries of anthractie are exciting the province.

There is activity in seasonable goods and holiday lines in the west, Winnipeg jobbing houses being busy in that conection now. Stocks of winter goods in the hands of jobbers are well reduced and some lines are wholly cleared out. Spring orders so far have been satisfactory.

Trade at Hamilton this week has been quite active. The fine weather has improved the demand in various departments and the outlook for the balance of the year is bright. Shipments this week have been heavy. Spring orders are coming to hand freely now. The values of staple goods are firmly held.

In London the movement in wholesale trade circles is satisfactory. The orders for seasonable goods to sort stocks are numerous and quite large. Prices are very firm, and especially on cotton goods for the spring.

There has been a continued good demand for seasonable goods at Ottawa this week. Travellers and mail orders have been numerous and well distributed. The conditions of trade are healthy and the outlook is promising.

COLORADO FUEL AND IRON CO.

ITS AFFAIRS TO BE PLACED ON A STABLE BASIS.

A COMMITTEE FORMULATES PLAN FOR REORGANIZATION.

New York, Dec. 11.—A committee, consisting of James A. Blair, William L. Bull, Otto T. Barnard, Philip Lehman, and John E. Borne, was organized today to assist in placing the affairs of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company on a satisfactory and permanent financial basis.

The committee in an address to the holders of Colorado Fuel 5 per cent debentures, finds that the sum of $13, 500,000 will be required to recover the property recently sold by the company, and at the same time provide sufficient money to complete improvements now under way.

The plan provides for the creation of a funding mortgage to be made by the company, or by another corporation, to secure an issue of bonds, which, with a stock increase of $600,000, will be used to provide the necessary funds and also an exchange for present debentures. The new security will be a five per cent gold bond supported by a consolidated first mortgage directly upon all the properties recently sold by the company. The stockholders will be asked to authorize the increase of the existing common stock by about $6,200,000. This increase in the stock together with the bond will be used to procure the moneys necessary for the purchase of the company.

A syndicate, representing a majority of the stock of the company, has agreed to convey these properties to the Fuel company, or to the committee, for the price at which they were acquired, plus reasonable interest. The syndicate also agrees to underwrite, without commissions, as much of the proposed new issue of bonds and stock as may be needed to provide the cash reducements, reducing one thousand bonds and $200 of stock for each $800 paid, also to offer the bonds and stock so underwritten to stockholders at the underwriting price, waiving for its members as stockholders the right to participate.

The syndicate further agrees to offer such part of the bonds and stock so underwritten and not taken by stockholders or debenture holders will be taken and paid for by the payment of next maturing debentures deposited under the proposed plan, in case such plan shall become operative. No debentures will be received after December, 31st, 1904, save in the discretion of the committee and upon such terms as may be imposed.

The committee states that it is acting in harmony with the officers and directors of the Fuel company, and with representatives of the majority of the stock.

J. A. CARLEY'S OBSEQUIES.

They Took Place at Winnipeg Under Masonic Auspices.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—The body of the late James Alexander Carley, who died while visiting his borther David M. Carley, in Nelson, B. C., reached the city today, accompanied by Mrs. Carley. The latter, who went west to be at her husband's bedside was taken ill at Medicine Hat and confined in the hospital there for two days. The funeral took place this afternoon from the family home to the Masonic Temple and thence to Kildonan cemetery, where the interment took place. The pall bearers were: Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, G. Woodman, D. Douglas, C. Bradley, W. Hearst, and W. G. Scott.

ALEXANDRETTA AFFAIR.

Consul Davies Only Used His Cane in Self Defence.

Constantinople, Dec. 11.—The latest advices regarding the Alexandretta affair confirm the reports of the violence of the police and the attack on consul Davies, who had only used his cane in self defence. It appears that Attarian, the naturalized American, was arrested by a subterfuge. After he had embarked on the consulate boat with Mr. Davies, Attarian was invited to land in order to undergo fumigation, whereupon the men was suddenly seized by three policemen and promptly locked up. Mr. Davies in attempting to interpose was assaulted by the police and was obliged to defend himself with his cane Attarian is still a prisoner. The report the the United States cruiser San Francisco had left Beirut for Alexandretta was premature.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Chekib Bey, the Turkish minister here, today filed with the state department an explanation from the minister for foreign affairs of Turkey, of the Alexandretta affair, stating in effect that United States consul Davies sought to procure the illegal immigration of a Turkish subject and failing in this attacked and beat the Turkish police and then took the steamer. The American state department has had partial advices from minister Leishman and is awaiting the completion of his investigation.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON.

Britain Is to Be Asked to Purchase Them From France.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Some members of the Montreal board of trade seem to think that the United States would like very much to possess the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, and that a movement is on foot with that object in view. They have, therefore, started an agitation, which has not been given out officially to the press, with the object of passing a resolution and forwarding it to Ottawa, asking the government to try to induce England to reclaim these islands from France.

The president of the board, J. Hodgson, when seen today, did not speak officially of any resolution, but said: "We will imagine for a moment that the British isles are dependent for the larger portion of their foodstuffs on Canada, and that hostilities should break out between the mother country and the owners of the islands in question, presuming, of course, that these bits of land have been strongly fortified and made a basis of operations. The result might likely be a crippling of Canadian sea-going trade, and the British people would thus be brought to the verge of actual suffering for the want of the necessities of life. Again, this would be the means of settling the ever-present disputes between France and Newfoundland."

POTLATCH BROKEN UP.

Some Indians Escaped Police and Enjoyed the Whiskey.

[Special to The Daily News.]

New Westminster, Dec. 11.—One of the largest potlatches ever held in this part of the country was broken up last night by the provincial police. Nearly 2000 Indians were invited by chief Hee Hee to a potlatch seven miles from Abbotsford. The police heard of it and began ta watch. The Indians caught the police watching and scattered. About one hundred went up the side of Sumas mountain taking with them two wagon loads of whiskey and finished their celebration while the police looked all over for them. Several of the ringleaders were captured, but while waiting for the train to the city they escaped, and are still at large.

DR. BARNARDO'S WARDS.

Sent 1,237 Children to Canada From England Last Year.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—E. A. Struthers, manager of Dr. Barnardo's Manitoba homes, returned from Chicago today, where he has been in conference with Mr Owens, Canadian agent for the homes, upon matters relating to their immigration parties of 1904. Dr. Barnardo sent out from England 1,237 young people in 1903, making up a total of 14,421 placed in Canada since the inception of the work.

CASHELL IS STILL AT LARGE.

Murderer is Well Armed and Will Not Be Taken Alive.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 11.—Mounted police and detectives have been dispatched in all directions in search of Ernest Cashell, the murderer who so daringly escaped from the mounted police guardroom last evening. He is believed to have gone in a southerly direction, towards Okotoks. Many say that Cashell will never be taken alive. He is wetll armed, having taken several revolvers with him.

AN ADJUSTER SENTENCED.

Sent to the Pen For Swindling Insurance Company.

New York, Dec. 11.—Max Kronfeld, the insurance adjuster who made a sensational confession to the district attorney of dishonest methods employed by public insurance adjusters, was sentenced today by recorder Goff to serve not less than three years and not more than three years and nine months in state's prison for the presentation of a false claim to an insurance company.

NEGRO MURDERER HANGED.

He Preserved His Nerve and Protested His Innocence.

Peoria, Ills., Dec. 11.—John McCrea, colored, murderer of detective William Thorpe, was hanged today. He killed the detective when the latter caught him stealing coal. He was saved from mob violence by being taken secretly to Galesburg. On the scaffold today the colored man preserved his nerve and died protesting his innocence.

CANADIAN CLEARANCES.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—The following are some of the weekly clearings as compiled by Bradstreets, with the per centages of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year:

		Inc.	Dec.
Montreal	$21,822,222	9.00	....
Toronto	17,875,802	10.6	....
Winnipeg	6,919,672	18.5	....
Halifax	2,133,973	16.6	....
Ottawa	2,191,802	7.7	....
Vancouver	1,377,046	36.7	....
Quebec	1,509,016	....	10.6
Hamilton	1,213,503	20.0	....
St. John N. B.	1,073,900	10.2	....
Victoria	630,755	....	12.5
London, Ont.	886,870	3.7	....

VOTE OF THANKS.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Ymir, Dec. 11.—At the regular meeting of the Ymir Miners' union, No. 85, W. F. M., a vote of thanks was tendered Dr. and Mrs. Duncan for their kindness in furnishing the new hospital with two flags and the same to be tendered through the columns of The Daily News.

PROPOSED MONORAILWAY.

J. H. Gray, the chief engineer for the proposed monorailway up the south fork of the Kaslo, has been engaged for several days taking levels and surveying the route between Kaslo and the forks of Kaslo river, for the purpose of laying all information before his company in view of a possible extension of the road to the lake front from South Fork, says the Kaslo Kootenaian. Mr. Gray states that doubtless satisfactory arrangements can be made with the K. & S. for an interchange of traffic at South Fork, and that it was not now intended to come to Kaslo, but desirable arrangements along this line may be made later on. The route from here to South Fork is a particularly difficult one and passes through a section practically without profit to the operating company.

Mr. Gray will be busily engaged for some time on the necessary office work, and expects to have all the estimates and data ready before traffic opens. It is intended to begin construction on the different projects at the earliest possible moment that conditions will allow. The company is extremely anxious to demonstrate the feasibility and economy of this means of transportation as soon as can be done.

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TEACHER WANTED for Ymir Public School, duties to begin on 4th January, 1904. Apply to G. Edward Duncan, M.D., secretary of the School Board, Ymir, B.C.

WANTED—Sewing by the day at ladies own house. Miss D., Bellevue House, Baker street.

TAILORS Wanted by Taylor & McQuarrie, Nelson, B. C., Box 3.

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NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

A daughter was born to the wife of A. P. Hebden, Delbruk street, on Tuesday, December 12th.

Charles Colpitts, accountant for J. Y. Griffin & Co., has resigned his position to take up work with McDermid & McHardy, mining and real estate brokers of this city.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Royston Gold Mines, Ltd., will be held at 3 p.m. next Tuesday at the general offices of the company on Kootenay street.

Hot drinks, consisting of beef tea, coffee, chicken broth, etc, will be served this afternoon and in the evening until 9 o'clock at the store of the Canada Drug & Book Co., corner Baker and Josephine streets.

A meeting of the hockey enthusiasts has been called for Monday evening at the Hume hotel. A full attendance is requested as it is fully intended to arrange matters for the season as much as they can be at this meeting.

The lake is still over a foot above the average level for December, but is now subsiding. Last spring the lake did not start to rise till three weeks later than usual, but remained at the high water stage longer than there is any record of in past seasons.

Regular services will be held in St. Paul's Presbyterian church tomorrow, Rev. Jos. McNeill officiating. Special music is being prepared by the choir under the leadership of Mrs. Melville Parry. At the evening service Mrs. Parry will sing a solo, "Fear not ye, oh Israel," by Dudley Buck.

The members of the Nelson Boat club are already at work preparing for the dance which will be given under the auspices of the club next Friday evening at the opera house. The dances given by the boat club last winter were some of the pleasantest affairs of the season, and the announcement of the coming one will be hailed with pleasure.

Only one real hard night's freezing is needed now to put ice in shape for curling at the Nelson rink. W. Richardson, the lessee of the rink, has the first sheets of ice all ready for the final covering, having levelled up the inequalities in the surface with frozen slush. While by this means it is possible to make a good ground work, it needs some hard frost to put on a strong upper crust.

At the record office on Friday, S. P. Tuck, sheriff of south Kootenay, transferred to Henry R. Jorand all the interest of Donald R. Morrison in the Copper Mountain, B. C. Silver Queen and May mineral claims, consideration $160. Henry R. Jorand transferred the same claims to R. S. Lennie, consideration $160. The location of Dan Leno mineral claim on Wild Horse creek by T H. Rotherham was recorded.

A large shipment of Japanese oranges was received in Nelson yesterday which had been sent direct from the growers at Sun Ban, Japan, to J. Y. Griffin & Co., of Nelson. Formerly Japanese oragnes were handled entirely by commission men at the coast, principally Sattle, but now the growers are making efforts to spread their business and ship direct. so that, through the consequent saving in expense, they will be better able to meet competition.

A meeting of the university graduates and undergraduates of the city will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Success club rooms for the purpose of receiving the report of the committee appointed to draft a constitution and complete arrangements for the organization of a university club in Nelson. An address will be given by R. J. Clark, principal of the high school, on "The Prospects of a University in British Columbia." Every university representative in the city is requested to attend the meeting by the committee in charge so that the club may be started on as firm a basis as possible.

A pleasant and well attended social was given last evening at the Congregational church. An interesting program of music and other selections was given during the evening, and was much appreciated by all present.

Thomas D. Llwyd, western manager for G. Goulding & Sons, of Toronto, is in the city on a short business trip. This firm, which is one of the oldest and best known of the eastern wholesale firms, has recently established a branch in Winnipeg in charge of Mr. Llwyd.

Electors who intend to vote at the coming civic election, with the exception of the assessed owners of property, require to be registered before they can vote. Registrations can be made at the city hall before the city clerk or before any justice of the peace. Before registration can be made, however, it is requisite that their indebtedness to the municipality must be paid. The time for registration expires on December 31st.

Prospectors coming into the city prophecy that this will be a very open winter, basing their assertions on the fact that the deer are keeping almost entirely to the upper mountains yet, hardly one being seen in the valleys. Generally at this time the deer have abandoned the upper mountains except when pursued, coming down to the lowlands to feed on the willow tops and other bushes. None of the hunters who have been out during the past week have had any success.

Mrs. M. L. Rattray, who for several years has conducted the Nelson Business College, leaves this morning over the Crow's Nest for her former home at Hamilton, Ont. Mrs. Rattray has done a good work while in the city, and many of her pupils are now occupying responsible and lucrative positions in this and other places. During the last six months her health has been very poor and she has been unable recently to give the school her personal supervision. In the hope of a change restring her health she has decided to go east again.

The concert at the opera house last evening by the Schubert Symphony club and Lady Quartette, was a most enjoyable one although a regrettable incident was a sudden attack of illness of Miss M. Schofield who had to be taken back to the hotel for medical treatment, and so was unable to take part in the program. The entertainment given by the club was one that appealed to every lover of music in the audience, each selection being loudly applauded and encored. The violin solos by Karl F. Hunter and the selections by the entire club were worthy of especial mention, although everything that was given was good.

CONSPIRACY AND PERJURY.

Chinese Highbinders' Documents in Hands of Police.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Dec. 11.—The police have secured documentary evidence of the highest importance corroborative of their theories of conspiracy and perjury by Chinese highbinders in the murder case of Charley Ah Sing. One of the interpreted exhibits is an instruction to one of the Chinese prisoners of the story he must tell to fit in with the tale and plans of his compatriots.

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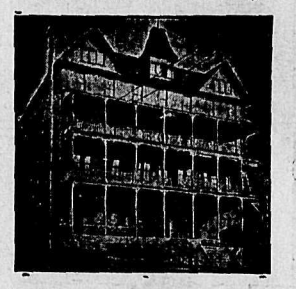

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INSPECTOR OF POLICE.

F. S. Hussey, of Victoria, is in Nelson on a Tour of Inspection.

F. S. Hussey, provincial police inspector, is in Nelson on a tour of inspection. This is his first visit to this district for five years or more and he noticed many changes for the better in this city.

"I find everything in my department in fairly satisfactory shape," said Mr. Hussey last night. "There is a good jail here and it is well and carefully kept. At Fernie, Michel and Morrissey the accommodation for prisoners is poor and new lock-ups are needed, but for the most part, I found everything in satisfactory shape. The law appears to be well enforced and the force, considering the finances and conditions of the country, quite efficient.

"In travelling through the country I notice a great improvement not only in the appearance of the towns but also in the business conditions. Particularly is this true of Nelson. When I was last here the buildings were far from good but the place looks quite like a city now."

Mr. Hussey leaves tonight for Revelstoke, Vernon and Kamloops to continue his tour.

BOOKSELLERS FINED.

Cost Then $100 Each for Carrying Obscene Literature.

Boston, Dec. 11.—Three of the leading booksellers of the city were found guilty today in the municipal court of having sold or having in their possession obscene literature, on complaints made by the Watch and Ward society. A fine of $100 was imposed in each case, the defendants being Walter H. Knight, Richard Lichtenstein and W. L. Palmer. The books, the defence contended, are classic and are to be found in the public and many private libraries. The case will be carried to the higher courts.

QUEBEC SHOEMAKERS.

Quebec, Dec. 11.—The boot and shoe manufacturers today notified the men that they would wait until tomorrow at noon and that if their old men had not returned to work by that time they would open their factories, engaging any men presenting themselves for employment.

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